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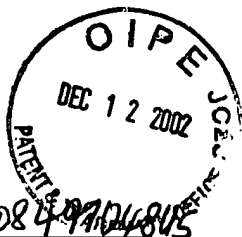


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Docket No: 5408/11295-US2

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Patrick J. Lutz

Serial No.: 10/087,207

Art Unit: 1616

Confirmation No.: 7037

Filed: February 28, 2002

Examiner: A. Pryor

For: **PRESERVATIVE BLENDS CONTAINING QUATERNARY AMMONIUM
COMPOUNDS**

RESPONSE

Hon. Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, DC 20231

December 12, 2002

Sir:

In response to the November 12, 2002 Office Action, please consider
the following remarks.

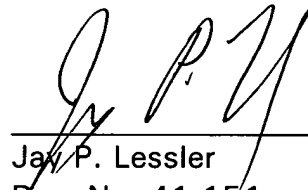
The Examiner has required election of a specific and complete composition.

Applicant hereby elects the formulation shown in Example 5 (Table 8 on page 18) of the present application.

In view of the above remarks, it is respectfully requested that the application be reconsidered and that all pending claims be allowed and the case passed to issue.

If there are any other issues remaining which the Examiner believes could be resolved through either a Supplemental Response or an Examiner's Amendment, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,



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